



Unlock the Past Cruises

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## Announcing the 14<sup>th</sup> Unlock the Past cruise (Alaska 2018)

Adelaide, South Australia, 17 May 2017 – Unlock the Past Cruises announces its 2018 cruise—an opportunity to discover more about your family history while in great company and visiting great destinations.

The **Alaska cruise**, 7-14 September 2018 on Royal Caribbean's *Explorer of the Seas* will leave from Seattle, visiting Juneau, Skagway, Tracy Arm Fjord, Alaska and Victoria, British Columbia over 7 days.

The **conference program** will feature 40–45 talks in three streams from an international team of 12–15 speakers. No talks will occur when in port or during scenic cruising. An optional full day extra seminar is being considered the day before the cruise to offer additional value to the many who will travel from a distance. This will feature leading north American speakers and a different program.

**The featured presenters** on the cruise are:

- Chris Paton (Scotland) – Chris is one of the most sought after presenters in Australia, New Zealand, Britain, Ireland, Canada and the US. He has written many books (including nine for Unlock the Past) and numerous articles for genealogy magazines.
- Dick Eastman (United States) – Dick is widely known internationally for his Eastman's online genealogy newsletter. He has been involved in genealogy for more than 30 years and has worked in the computer industry for over 40 years in hardware, software, and managerial positions.

Other speakers are Dr Janet Few and Caroline Gurney from England, Jan Gow from New Zealand, Shauna Hicks, Eric and Rosemary Kopittke, Mike Murray and Helen Smith from Australia and Cyndi Ingle from the United States. More will be announced.

For details, bookings and registration of interest go to [www.unlockthepastcruises.com/alaska](http://www.unlockthepastcruises.com/alaska). US Passport holders have the option of booking with our US travel agent partner, Cruise Planners: O'Connell Travel.

Some comments on previous cruises:

A genealogy conference on the high seas? Not only do you get all the fun of a regular cruise, you have the opportunity to network with other family historians from all over the world. The best part: the lectures and educational presentations are offered by some of the leading speakers in the genealogy industry. And Unlock the Past Cruises has the best selection of destinations and speakers hands down! – *Thomas MacEntee, United States, 4th cruise presenter*

Only one thing beats a good genealogy conference, and that is a genealogy conference that offers a chance to see a bit of the world, to enjoy some top class entertainment, and above all else, meet many other people sharing a similar interest. It's also the perfect family holiday, with plenty of fun activities for your partner and kids to get up to on board whilst you're attending conference sessions! – *Chris Paton, Scotland, 2nd, 4th and 8th cruise presenter*

### About Unlock the Past

Australian based Unlock the Past was established in 2009. It is the event and publishing division of Gould Genealogy & History which has served family and local historians since 1976. It is a collaborative venture involving an international team of expert speakers, writers, organisations and commercial partners to promote history and genealogy through innovative major events and a new publishing brand. It also maintains general and events directories online.

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